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AMENDMENT

Remarks

To add clarity to the invention being claimed, there is attached hereto a copy of the only amended claim in the case. All other claims remain as originally presented. No claims have been allowed, but patentable subject matter was identified in dependent Claims 6, 12, 20 and 21.

Claims 1 and 2 were rejected under 35 USC 102 as being fully met by Golde (5,845,336) entitled "Versatile All-Weather Ventilated And Protective Garment". This action is respectfully traversed, because Applicant's invention and the Golde invention are markedly different in concept, purpose and structure. Golde is concerned with providing ventilation on the interior of the jacket that is being worn by a motorcycle rider. To do so, he provides vents (i.e., holes) through which air can pass from the exterior to the inside of his jacket--the object being to cool the rider. Applicant, on the other hand, is interested in providing relief to a motorcycle rider when ram air comes up from the road on which he is riding. (Others have recognized that horizontal ram air can be uncomfortable on the face; but Applicant has recognized that a major quantity of air comes upwardly--from below his cycle. And diverting that upwardly moving air, as taught by Applicant, is particularly beneficial.). As illustrated in Applicant's Fig.